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Dear Examiner Elve:

Please see attached Response to Communication.

Kind regards,

  
Richard D. Getz

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TITLE: APPARATUS FOR HANDLING SHEETMETAL WORKPIECES TO BE WELDED

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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the Examiner's request, please find enclosed herewith a "clean" copy of the specification, including the claims, of the above-identified application. The clean copy specification is amended according to the changes requested in the preliminary amendment of May 9, 2001. Our records indicate (as can be seen from the mailing certificate on page 1), that a clean copy was sent with the preliminary amendment and a marked-up copy of the specification illustrating the requested changes. It is our understanding that this response satisfies all current outstanding matters. If anything else is required, however, please contact the undersigned attorney. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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